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SUBJECT: RHODESIAN PARTICIPATION IN U.S. SKYDIVING
COMPETITION

REF: PRETORIA 2828 (BEING REPEATED TO USUN AND ROME)

1. ON RECEIPT INFORMATION THAT RHODESIAN SKYDIVERS
INTENDED COMPETE IN U.S. SKYDIVING COMPETITION AT FORT
BRAGG, DEPARTMENT REQUESTED DOD TO INTERVENE AND BAR
RHODESIAN PARTICIPATION. DOD TOOK EFFECTIVE ACTION THROUGH
PRIVATE HOST ORGANIZATION, U.S. PARACHUTING ASSOCIATION.
LATTER HAS SINCE CONFIRMED NO RHODESIANS PARTICIPATED IN
COMPETITION.

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2. FYI ASSOCIATION OFFICIAL SOUGHT OUT FOUR MENTIONED

REFTEL AT RAYFORD N.C. AIRPORT AND INFORMED THEM THEY
COULD NOT COMPETE. RHODESIANS REPORTEDLY LEFT IMMEDIATELY.
THEY PRESUMABLY ENTERED US ON ONE-YEAR VISAS ISSUED IN
ROME JULY 1972, EVEN THOUGH VISAS WERE SUBSEQUENTLY REVOKED.
STEPS HAVE BEEN TAKEN TO PLACE THEM IN BOTH STATE AND INS
LOOKOUT FILES. END FYI ROGERS

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